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Title:	METHOD OF ASSEMBLING A CABLE SYSTEM HAVING A TELESCOPING TROUGH (AS AMENDED HEREIN)		

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COMMUNICATION RE: RESUBMISSION OF REFERENCES

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Dear Sir:

This Communication is in reply to the Office Action dated February 9, 2005. In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement of July 23, 2005 failed to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2). In particular, the Examiner stated that copies of the foreign and other references listed on the associated Form 1449 were not available; the non-available references were lined-through on the returned Form 1449.

Under MPEP 609(III)(C2), the Examiner is required to consider all citations submitted in conformance with the content requirements of 37 CFR 1.98 and time requirements of 37 CFR 1.97. Applicants respectfully submit that the citation of the lined-through references was submitted in conformance with the above rules.

In particular, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), a copy of each reference or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 was not provided because it was previously cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in an earlier application (i.e., U.S. Serial No. 09/578,300 filed on May 25, 2000). Specifically, each of the lined-through references

was previously cited on a Form 1449 in the parent application and considered by the Examiner of the parent application.

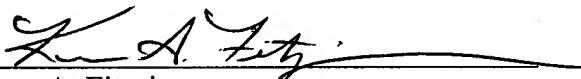
For the Examiner's convenience, Applicants have herewith provided additional copies of the lined-through references and a new Form 1449 listing each of the references. Because the references were previously submitted in proper conformance with the rules, Applicants believe no fee under 37 CFR 1.97 is required for resubmission of these references.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider each of the references, and return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form 1449. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative at 612.371.5340 if any further questions or concerns arise.

Respectfully submitted,

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<b>FORM 1449*</b> <b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</b>  <b>IN AN APPLICATION</b>  (Use several sheets if necessary)	Docket Number: 2316.1196USD1	Application Number: 10/626,106
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